## WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

## WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 7219

IN THE MATTER OF: Served June 2, 2003 Application of FAITH SERVICES Case No. AP-2003-61 ) TRANSPORTATION, INC., Trading as ) FAITH TRANSPORTATION, for a Certificate of Authority --

Irregular Route Operations

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By application accepted for filing May 12, 2003, Faith Services Transportation, Inc., a Maryland corporation trading as Transportation, seeks a certificate of authority for irregular route operations in vehicles with a seating capacity of less than 16 persons only, including the driver.

Applicant proposes commencing operations with one van. Applicant's proposed tariff contains individual hourly rates.

Applicant was incorporated on September 26, 2002, by Roosevelt Dickens, applicant's president and director. At that time, according to records obtained from the Maryland Department of Assessments and Taxation, Mr. Dickens also was president of Faith Transportation Services, Inc., incorporated June 29, 2001. He did not formally sever his relationship with Faith Transportation Services until January 17, 2003, when he was replaced as president by board member Victoria Joiner, who also is president of Faith Transportation, Inc., WMATC Carrier No. 377, and has been since at least October 30, 1996.

In addition, Commission records show that applicant's controller, Brenda Ellis-Riddick, is the controller for Carrier No. 377 and is, or at one time was, Secretary/Treasurer of Carrier No. 377. The records from Maryland show that Ms. Ellis-Riddick was Secretary/Treasurer of Faith Transportation Services, Inc., until January 17, 2003.

Finally, the records from Maryland show the same principal office address and registered agent address for all three companies.

All of this raises the question of whether applicant should be seeking common control approval under Article XII, Section 3, of the Compact. Applicant will be directed to file the following documents so that the Commission may make that determination: (1) a list identifying all of applicant's officers and directors and their titles; (2) a list identifying all of applicant's shareholders and their percentages; (3) a statement from each of applicant's officers, directors and shareholders as to the nature of his or her relationship, if any, with Faith Transportation Services, Inc., and/or Carrier No. 377; and (4) a statement explaining whether applicant shares office space with Faith Transportation Services, Inc., and/or Carrier No. 377.

Applicant also will be directed to explain why Exhibit B indicates applicant will charge general tariff rates under the name "Faith Services" when the registered trade name is "Faith Transportation," and the trade name registration form filed with the State of Maryland states that applicant intends to conduct "contract passenger transportation service."

This proceeding is hereby initiated to determine whether applicant is fit and whether the proposed transportation is consistent with the public interest.

## THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. That applicant shall publish once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District, no later than June 16, 2003, notice in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission.
- 2. That applicant shall file with the Commission, no later than July 7, 2003, an original and four copies of an affidavit that notice has been published as required in the preceding paragraph.
- 3. That applicant shall file with the Commission, no later than June 16, 2003, an original and four copies of: (a) a list identifying all of applicant's officers and directors and their titles; (b) a list identifying all of applicant's shareholders and their ownership percentages; (c) a statement from each of applicant's officers, directors and shareholders as to the nature of his or her relationship, if any, with Faith Transportation Services, Inc., and/or Carrier No. 377; and (d) a statement explaining whether applicant shares office space with Faith Transportation Services, Inc., and/or Carrier No. 377.
- 4. That applicant shall file with the Commission, no later than June 16, 2003, an original and four copies of a written statement explaining why Exhibit B indicates applicant will charge general tariff rates under the name "Faith Services" when the registered trade name is "Faith Transportation," and the trade name registration form filed with the State of Maryland states that applicant intends to conduct "contract passenger transportation service."
- 5. That the deadline for filing protests, comments, applications for intervention, and requests for formal hearing, is July 7, 2003, and that copies must be served on applicant's president, Roosevelt Dickens, P.O. Box 47655, Forestville, MD 20753-7655.

FOR THE COMMISSION:

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Executive Director